

To Persons Interested in IAC's Boating Facility Program (BFP) Grants:

Staff of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) is working with the Boating Facilities Program Advisory Committee to change the evaluation instrument used to score and rank grant applications for boating grants.

We are proposing to reduce the number of questions used in the evaluation instrument from 14 to 10. We believe that this change will reduce the amount of time applicants spend preparing responses to the questions, as well as the amount of time needed to review and score proposals during evaluation meetings.

We are inviting you to review and comment on the proposed evaluation instrument changes.

To receive a copy, please contact IAC staff Jim Eychaner at jime@iac.wa.gov, telephone 360-902-3011, or via mail at IAC, PO Box 40917, Olympia WA 98504-0917. The draft instrument may be downloaded at our web site: www.iac.wa.gov (see "News and Events" under Outdoor Recreation, or on the [Boating Facilities Program \(BFP\) News](#) page).

Comments on the draft will be accepted through the close of business on November 12, 2004.

Based on your comments, staff will develop a final proposed evaluation instrument. The final proposed evaluation instrument will be taken to the IAC's Board with a staff recommendation for adoption of the instrument for use in the 2005 grant cycle. All comments received on the draft will be summarized and shared with the Board. This meeting is scheduled for November 19-20, 2004; contact us for the exact date and time. You are welcome to attend and to address the Board.

*Please note that we are **not** proposing changes to Boating Facilities Program rules or policies, and we are **not** proposing changes to the Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) program. Please contact Mr. Eychaner with any questions.*